

Appendix C: Farmland Conservation Impact Rating Form

FARMLAND CONVERSION IMPACT RATING
FOR CORRIDOR TYPE PROJECTS

PART I (To be completed by Federal Agency)		3. Date of Land Evaluation Request	1/16/04	4. Sheet 1 of <u>1</u>	
1. Name of Project <u>Yuma Area Service Highway</u>		5. Federal Agency Involved <u>FHWA</u>			
2. Type of Project <u>Highway</u>		6. County and State <u>Yuma County, Arizona</u>			
PART II (To be completed by NRCS)		1. Date Request Received by NRCS <u>1-23-04</u>	2. Person Completing Form <u>J. SCHMIDT</u>		
3. Does the corridor contain prime, <u>unique</u> statewide or local important farmland? (If no, the FPPA does not apply - Do not complete additional parts of this form.)		YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>		4. Acres Irrigated <u>195,605</u> Average Farm Size <u>571</u>	
5. Major Crop(s) <u>VEGETABLES, ALFALFA</u>	6. Farmable Land in Government Jurisdiction Acres: <u>214,774</u> % <u>-</u>		7. Amount of Farmland As Defined in FPPA Acres: <u>214,774</u> % <u>-</u>		
8. Name Of Land Evaluation System Used <u>NA</u>	9. Name of Local Site Assessment System <u>NA</u>		10. Date Land Evaluation Returned by NRCS <u>2-10-04 JS</u>		
PART III (To be completed by Federal Agency)		Alternative Corridor For Segment			
		Corridor A	Corridor B	Corridor C	Corridor D
A. Total Acres To Be Converted Directly		19			
B. Total Acres To Be Converted Indirectly, Or To Receive Services		339			
C. Total Acres In Corridor		358	0	0	0
PART IV (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information					
A. Total Acres Prime And Unique Farmland		358			
B. Total Acres Statewide And Local Important Farmland					
C. Percentage Of Farmland In County Or Local Gov. Unit To Be Converted		41%			
D. Percentage Of Farmland In Gov. Jurisdiction With Same Or Higher Relative Value		50%			
PART V (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information Criterion Relative Value Of Farmland To Be Serviced Or Converted (Scale of 0-100 Points)		85			
PART VI (To be completed by Federal Agency) Corridor Assessment Criteria (These criteria are explained in 7 CFR 658.5(c))		Maximum Points			
1. Area In Nonurban Use		15	15		
2. Perimeter In Nonurban Use		10	10		
3. Percent Of Corridor Being Farmed		20	0		
4. Protection Provided By State And Local Government		20	0		
5. Size Of Present Farm Unit Compared To Average		10	10		
6. Creation Of Nonfarmable Farmland		25	0		
7. Availability Of Farm Support Services		5	0		
8. On-Farm Investments		20	5		
9. Effects Of Conversion On Farm Support Services		25	0		
10. Compatibility With Existing Agricultural Use		10	10		
TOTAL CORRIDOR ASSESSMENT POINTS		160	50	0	0
PART VII (To be completed by Federal Agency)					
Relative Value Of Farmland (From Part V)		100	85		
Total Corridor Assessment (From Part VI above or a local site assessment)		160	50	0	0
TOTAL POINTS (Total of above 2 lines)		260	135	0	0
1. Corridor Selected:	2. Total Acres of Farmlands to be Converted by Project:	3. Date Of Selection:	4. Was A Local Site Assessment Used? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>		
5. Reason For Selection:					

Signature of Person Completing this Part:

DATE

NOTE: Complete a form for each segment with more than one Alternate Corridor